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NO DESCRIPTION

his SUBMERGED SAMPLE OBSERVATION APPARATUS AND METHOD

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Formal drawings (Figs. 1-3; 2 sheets) are attached.

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